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MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Plans and Development Staff

SUBJECT : Catalogue Change for BOC

1. This is to request that the subject of a catalogue change for the BOC be brought up at the Curriculum Committee meeting on 17 January. The circumstances are these:

a. There is still a 10-student gap between what prepared to handle and what the DO is sending us. There are 50-51 people already signed up for the BOC which starts on 18 February. Its geared for a class of 40, though they have handled 50 in the last two runnings.

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- b. The instructor staff will lose 4 or 5 people before the end of the next BOC running on 7 June, which will significantly affect the running of the final problem and the counseling and evaluations of students.
- c. There are 23 CT's, about 27 PT's and 1 PSS student lined up for the course. I have examined the Form 73's of the PT's, and for the most part they are vague and general as to the purpose which the training will serve and as to the timing and character of the nominee's field assignment. In other words, it is not clear that all nominees are slated for case officer assignments.
- d. DCOS/ believes they can offer the new 4-week OFC officially on 27 May, but almost certainly by 8 July. This course, for 30 people, should help reduce somewhat the number of borderline cases now being sent to the BOC. Once this course is announced, DDO will question all dubious cases.

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2. Recommendations:

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- b. That OTR issue standarized instructions to unit training officers about the content of paragraph 14 of the Form 73. (Comment: It may be that the whole question of what Para 14 should say in any training request should be reviewed; it could probably be fairly vague in courses that are not habitually oversubscribed, but the BOC is not one of these.) And that forms not containing sufficiently explicit information be returned to the requesting unit.
- c. That a special bulletin be issued on the OFC as early as possible so as to take pressure off the BOC.

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